

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A double-walled gift box apparatus comprising a base box and cover each formed as a double-walled tray, at least one tray having walls and a stiffening sheet secured thereto, said at least one tray being formed from a tray forming sheet comprising a main panel with peripheral edges, said tray forming sheet further comprising side panels and end panels extending from said peripheral edges of the main panel for forming the walls of said at least one tray, wherein

said stiffening sheet comprises a central panel and sides connected to the central panel, the central panel being positioned in contact and aligned with the main panel of the tray forming sheet, the sides of the stiffening sheet being in contact and aligned with the side panels of the tray forming sheet, and wherein

the side panels and end panels of the tray forming sheet have folds spaced from and parallel to the peripheral edges of the main panel, said folds forming inner side panels and outer side panels and inner end panels and outer end panels, the outer end panels being folded and adhered to the inner end panels in position, and the outer side panels being folded over and adhered to the sides of the stiffening sheet for securing the stiffening sheet to said at least one tray, and

said apparatus further comprises creased gussets connecting the inner side panels and the inner end panels of said tray forming sheet, wherein said gussets, when folded, are tucked into spaces between the outer and inner end panels of said tray forming sheet;

wherein said creased gussets are locked in place by adhesive applied to inward facing surfaces of the outer end panels, and

wherein the outer side and outer end panels have strips of adhesive applied to inner surfaces thereof prior to folding the outer end panels on the inner end panels, the strips of adhesive on the inner surfaces of the outer side panels contacting and adhering to inner surfaces of the sides of the stiffening sheet.

Claim 2 (Previously presented): The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the stiffening sheet further has ends hinged to the central panel and wherein the outer end panels of said tray forming sheet are folded over and adhered to the ends of the stiffening sheet.

Claim 3 (Original): The apparatus of claim 1, wherein both the cover and base box have stiffening sheets.

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Cancelled).

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The apparatus of claim 1, wherein each of the base box and cover are formed as a double-walled tray having walls and a stiffening sheet secured thereto, wherein the tray is formed from a tray forming sheet comprising a main panel with peripheral edges and further comprising side panels and end panels extending from the peripheral edges of the main panel for forming the walls of the tray, and wherein the side and end panels of the base and cover are equal in length, forming a square box.

Claim 7 (Previously presented): The apparatus of claim 1, wherein each of the base box and cover are formed as a double-walled tray having walls and a stiffening sheet secured thereto, wherein the tray is formed from a tray forming sheet comprising a main panel with peripheral edges and further comprising side panels and end panels extending from the peripheral edges of

the main panel for forming the walls of the tray, and wherein the main, side and end panels of the base and cover form a rectangular box.

Claims 8-10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Previously cancelled).

Claim 12 (Currently amended): A double-walled gift box apparatus comprising a base box formed as a double-walled tray, the tray having walls and a stiffening sheet secured to the tray, the tray being formed from a tray forming sheet having a main panel with peripheral edges and having side panels and end panels extending from the peripheral edges of the main panel for forming the walls of the tray,

the stiffening sheet having a central panel and sides connected to the central panel, the central panel being positioned in contact and aligned with the main panel of the tray forming sheet, the sides of the stiffening sheet being in contact and aligned with the side panels of the tray forming sheet,

the side panels and end panels of the tray forming sheet having folds spaced from and parallel to the peripheral edges of the main panel, said folds forming inner side panels and outer side panels and inner end panels and outer end panels, the outer end panels being folded inward and adhered to the inner end panels, and the outer side panels being folded over and adhered to the sides of the stiffening sheet for securing the stiffening sheet to the tray,

the apparatus further comprising creased gussets connecting the inner side panels and inner end panels of the tray forming sheet, wherein said gussets, when folded, are tucked into spaces between the outer and inner end panels of the tray forming sheet,

wherein said creased gussets are locked in place by adhesive applied to inward facing surfaces of the outer end panels, and

wherein the outer side and outer end panels have strips of adhesive applied to inner surfaces thereof prior to folding the outer end panels on the inner end panels, the strips of adhesive on the inner surfaces of the outer side panels contacting and adhering to inner surfaces of the sides of the stiffening sheet.

Claim 13 (Previously presented): The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the stiffening sheet further has ends hinged to the main panel and wherein the outer end panels of the tray forming sheet are folded over and adhered to inner surfaces of the ends of the stiffening sheet.

Claim 14 (Cancelled).

Claim 15 (Cancelled).

Claim 16 (Previously presented): The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the side and end panels of the tray forming sheet are equal in length, forming a square box.

Claim 17 (Previously presented): The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the main, side and end panels of the tray forming sheet form a rectangular box.

Claims 18-21 (Cancelled).